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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated 16 August 2007 for which a response

was due on 16 November 2007. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a three month's extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to 16 February 2008, which was a Saturday. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.